

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified Application is respectfully requested. Claim 3 is in the case. Claims 1 and 2 have been canceled.

Regarding the rejection of Claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Arcus et al., these claims have been canceled, thereby rendering this rejection moot. Wherefore reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Regarding the rejection of Claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Murakami, this claim has been canceled, thereby rendering this rejection moot. Wherefore reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Regarding the objection to Claim 3 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, and the indication of its allowability if re-written in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim, Claim 3 has been so rewritten. Wherefore reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection, and the allowance of Claim 3 are respectfully requested.

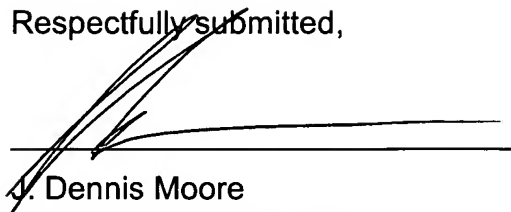
It is respectfully submitted that the claims recite the patentably distinguishing features of the invention and that, taken together with the above remarks, the present application is now in proper form for allowance. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, and allowance of the claims are requested at an early date.

While it is believed that the instant amendment places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, the Applicants petition for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees to the Deposit Account No. 20-0668

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